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Abilene To Have Great White Way

AND BEST LIGHTED CITY IN THE STATE SAYS C. L. BROWN.

City Closed Contract for Lights with Riverside Light and Power Co.—All Lights in By September.

The city commissioners closed a contract with the Riverside Light and Power company today whereby the city of Abilene is to become one of the best lighted cities in the state of Kansas. Four streets in the business district will be equipped with ornamental five-light posts, giving the city a real "white way." The

agrees to furnish, erect and maintain 38 ornamental five-light lamp over the intersection of the curb line at each street intersection where lights are to be installed as shown on blue print. The light company shall furnish all the wiring, cable and necessary appliances for the equipment of the entire street lighting system, including the lamps and globes on the ornamental lamp posts.

All other lamps comprising this street lighting system excepting those installed on the ornamental lamp posts furnished by the city, shall be suspended from iron brackets attached to wooden poles. These brackets to be of sufficient length so that the lamps shall be located

SO THE PEOPLE MAY KNOW.

Bills Pass Legislature Requiring the Publication of Statements.

Two bills of importance have passed the legislature concerning the publication of statements by city and township treasurers. These bills make it compulsory for the city treasurer to make statements quarterly and the township treasurers must make annual statements in some publication in the county. The bills follow:

An act requiring city treasurers to publish quarterly statements, providing a punishment for the violation thereof, and repealing all acts and parts of acts in so far as they are in conflict therewith. Be it enacted by the legislature of the state of Kansas:

Section 1. The treasurer of each and every city shall publish, or cause to be published, in some newspaper published in such city, or in some newspaper published in the county in which such city is located and having a general circulation in such city, between the tenth and twentieth days of March, June, September and December in each year, a full and detailed statement of the receipts, expenditures and liabilities of such city for the quarter ending on the fifteenth of said months respectively.

Section 2. Any city treasurer violating any of the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon the conviction thereof, shall be subject to a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not less than thirty nor more than ninety days, or by both such fine and imprisonment, for each offense.

Sec. 3. All acts and parts of acts in so far as they are in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

An act requiring township treasurers to publish annual statements, providing a punishment for the violation thereof, and repealing section 9599 of the General Statutes of 1909. Be it enacted by the legislature of the state of Kansas:

Section 1. The treasurer of each and every township shall publish, or cause to be published, in some newspaper published in the township of which he is treasurer, or in some newspaper published in the county in which such township is located and having a general circulation in such township, immediately following the annual settlement in October of each year, a full and detailed statement, duly verified, of the receipts, expenditures and liabilities of such township for the year ending at the time of such annual statement.

Sec. 2. Any township treasurer violating any of the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a

misdeamnor, and upon the conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not less than thirty days nor more than ninety days, or by both such fine and imprisonment, for each offense.

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SIGN THE CONTRACT FOR PUMPING WATER.

Brown Company to Pump \$1000 Cheaper Than at Present.

The city commissioners closed a contract with the Riverside Light and Power company this morning whereby the pumping of the water for the city water works is to be done by electricity after the first of July. The Brown company takes the contract for pumping the water at a price \$1000 cheaper for the year beginning July 1, 1913, and ending July 1, 1914, than the expense to the city for the year ending July 1, 1913, such expense to be determined by the cost of fuel, labor, the cost of oil and repairs at the pumping station and the cost of handling oil. The company and the city are to jointly install a meter at the plant and the price per gallon during the first year is to be the price paid during the other years of the contract, providing it shall not cost more than 3 cents per thousand gallons.

The contract had been practically closed for several weeks and only the formalities of signing the contract was on the program this morning.

FIRE DAMAGES A RESIDENCE.

Fire Company Did Good Work in Extinguishing Flames.

A fire in the C. L. Brown house on Kuney street Saturday afternoon burned through from the basement and damaged the house and its contents to the amount of about \$300. The G. E. Caspey family occupied the house and none of them were at home at the time of the fire.

The fire started in the basement and for a time it was thought that it had been set by the furnace but closer examination proved that there was little fire in the furnace and that the fire was started from some other source. The house was pretty badly smoked up and will have to be repapered. Otherwise there was little damage except to the floor of the room over the place where the fire started. The fire company did good work and had the fire under control in short order. C. L. Brown gave the fire company a check for \$25 for its efficient work.

C. M. Garver Says Big Profit in Silos

C. M. Garver, who is known as one of the best cattle feeders in Dickinson county, is enthusiastic over the value of the silo. Writing for the Mail and Breese he says:

"My experience with the silo has been very satisfactory. In the summer of 1910 I erected two 16 by 20-foot wooden stave silos, so this is my third season's experience in feeding ensilage. I have never used anything but corn in filling my silos and have fed the silage almost entirely to fattening cattle. After making several tests, I have found that a ration of 28 pounds of silage and 20 pounds of corn will make as great or a greater daily gain in cattle than 28 pounds of corn with-

out the silage. This shows 20 pounds of silage will equal in feeding value 8 pounds of corn, which makes the silage worth 7 per cent where corn is worth 50 cents. Last winter I fed silage to my brood mares and colts with good results.

"The use of a silo makes it possible to save the entire corn crop. As 40 per cent of the feeding value of the corn plant is in the stalk and leaves, which are largely wasted otherwise, it means a big saving to put them into the silo. The silo also makes it possible to keep stock on the farm in much greater numbers. This means added fertility for the soil and there is the key to success in farming.

THE MARKET DAY SALE REACHED \$4428.

Next Highest Sale on Market Day a Little Over \$1000.

After several weeks of bad weather through which it was hard to get to town for shopping the roads for one of the biggest Market Days Abilene has ever had. The shoppers came early today and business was brisk all day. The public sale has kept the record going and like the sales of the last few months eclipsed every sale before it. The stock entry was large. There were almost a dozen bugles and the variety of goods for auction reached both limits of the common auction sale.

The public sale held on Market Day last Saturday went better than \$2000 ahead of any market day sale ever registered in Abilene. The total of the sale was \$4428. A large amount of stock and a large entry of farm machinery brought the sale up to this high mark. The number of people in town was probably as large as on any other market day and the merchants report a big business.

ANDREW KIRCHNER IS DEAD.

Had Lived For Many Years at Enterprise.

Andrew Kirchner died at his home in Enterprise late Sunday evening at the age of 60 years. Pneumonia was the cause of his death. He leaves a wife and two children. Funeral announcements later.

ABILENE MAN IS ONE OF ITS OFFICERS.

A state organization of Farmers' Elevator companies was formed at a convention in Hutchinson yesterday attended by representatives from every section of the state. The Farmers' Grain Dealers' association of Kansas is launched with the following officers and directors: President, J. A. Lyons, Langdon; vice president, D. Sommers, Abilene; secretary and treasurer, G. W. Lawrence, Larned.

MRS. C. O. CLEMENCE SUES FOR DIVORCE.

Couldn't Stand for Rough House With the China.

Mrs. C. O. Clemence filed suit for divorce in the district court Thursday afternoon and asked a restraining order to prevent her husband from creating further disturbance about the premises. On Wednesday evening a family argument at their home on Cottage avenue ended in a general rough house in which Mr. Clemence is charged with breaking up the furniture, china, kicking down the stove and in punching out the windows. The Clemence family has been in turmoil for some time according to information which has come out since the Wednesday evening performance.

BOYD KAUFFMAN IS DEAD IN NEW MEXICO.

Boyd Kauffman of Navarre, died at Las Vegas, New Mexico, March 7. He went to New Mexico several weeks ago for his health. He was 28 years old and leaves a wife. His father, Jerome Kauffman, went to Las Vegas to return with the body.

BALCH TO TOPEKA

J. W. DeYoe of Kansas City Comes to Abilene.

Dr. Balch's Ministry of Two Years Has Borne Much Fruit For Local Church—New Church Is Strong.

Dr. W. M. Balch, who has been for two years the pastor of the Methodist church here, has been transferred to the Lowman Memorial church in Topeka and will take up his pastorate there within a few days. Dr. Balch's place will be taken here by Rev. J. W. DeYoe of the London Heights church of Kansas City, Kansas.

Dr. Balch came to Abilene two years ago from Dover, N. H., and his stay in Abilene has seen the church put on a firm financial basis as well as increased materially in membership. The church to which he goes is situated in the student district and is close to Washburn college. It has a membership of about 400 and \$10,000 in improvements has been added to the church the last year.

Rev. DeYoe is a graduate of the Iowa Wesleyan University and the Garrett Biblical Institute. He preached for a number of years in Chicago and came three years ago to the London Heights church in Kansas City. He is 27 years old, has an athletic build and is known in the conference as "The Pastoral Evangelist." He has had as many as 350 additions to his church in a year from his own evangelistic efforts. It is not known definitely whether he will be here for services next Sunday.

Among the preachers in the Kansas conference who grew up in Dickinson county are the following with their appointments: J. A. McClellan, Everest; W. A. Keve, Hiawatha; O. J. McCulloh, Lecompton; W. H. Hertzog, Baldwin; E. E. Hollar, Central Church, Kansas City; C. B. Zook, Olathe; C. G. Bear, Clifton.

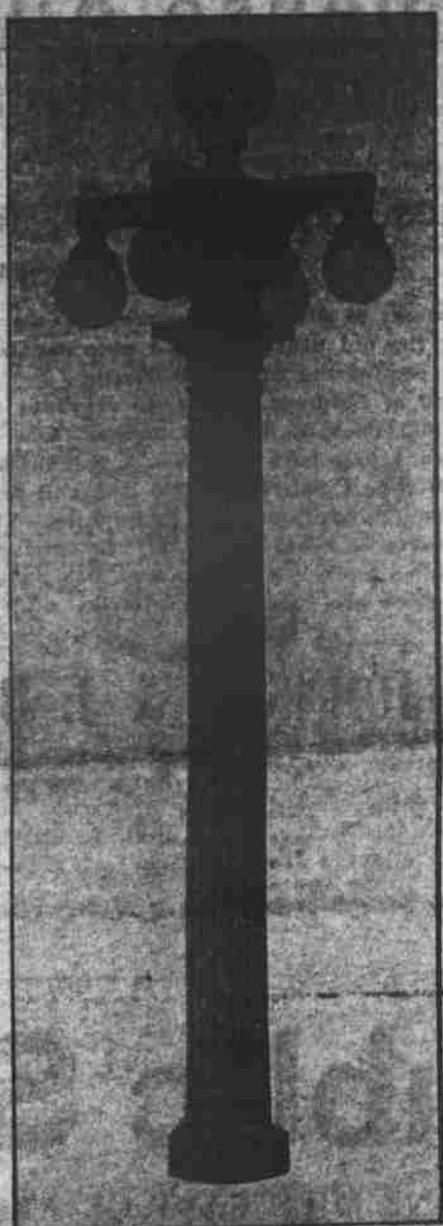
JAMES CULBERTSON IS DEAD.

Prominent Ex-Abilene Man in California for His Health.

James Culbertson, who lived in Abilene for 22 years and was known as a prominent lawyer and citizen here, died at Sunland, California, February 28. Mr. Culbertson came to Abilene in 1871 and practiced law here until 1893, spending four years of that time as probate judge. In 1893 he moved to New York City and resided there until a year ago when he moved to California for his health. When a boy he enlisted as a drummer boy in Ohio and went through the Civil war. His wife, a sister of Mrs. W. B. Giles of this city, survives him.

LEFT ESTATE TO ABILENE MAN?

The police of Salina received an inquiry a few days ago asking for the whereabouts of Jacob Ferguson. The letter stated that his uncle had left him an estate. The police started a search for the man and the Union says that they think they have him located near Abilene. If the gentleman lives in this neighborhood and has no aversion to the responsibilities of handling an estate it might be a good thing for him to speak up.



contract was let for a period of ten years and calls for complete operation by the first of September.

In the residence district the lights are to be on alternate corners in practically every block.

The city pays a flat rate of \$233.33 per month for the 332 lights which are to be installed which is a flat rate of .70 cents per month per light. The lights for the residence section and the middle light of the cluster in the business section are to be 32 candle power or 40 watts. The smaller lights on the five-light posts are to be 25 watt and are to burn six nights per month. The cost to the city for the services of the company is \$2300 per year.

The contract calls for a completion of the system by September 1 but Mr. Brown said today that part of the lamps would be in within 20 days and that the work on the whole system would be pushed to its earliest possible completion.

The ornamental light posts will probably be of cement. This point is to be decided by the commissioners later.

Abilene has long felt the need of a street lighting system and the announcement of the contract signed today will meet with the approval of the whole city.

The following extracts cover other parts of the contract:

The light company agrees to furnish all necessary poles, wire and appliances for the erection of 332 street lights excepting that the city

posts carrying 190 lights which are a part of the 332 lights referred to, to be located over the underground outlets as have been installed in the business district by the light company.

The city shall have the right to change the size of the lamps and make such additions and extensions as they deem necessary. The rate to be paid for the operation of such lamps when larger than 40 watt lamps are used, to be at the rate of two and one-half cents per watt for the rated wattage of the lamps per month. Renewals for such extensions and additions to be supplied by the light company at \$1 per lamp per year.

The city shall have the right to extend the service from time to time as the needs of the city demands, and the light company agrees to extend the lines for installing such additional lamps as shall be determined by the city, provided that no lamps shall be at a greater distance than 500 feet from some light already established.

It is agreed that the price for the street lighting service covered by this contract may be adjusted at three year periods at the option of either party by arbitration or by direct appeal to the state utilities commission, whose decision shall be final.

The property installed by each party to this contract shall remain its property at the expiration of this contract.

THIEF GOT HILDINGER SUKS.

Search of Mexican Banks Fails to Reveal Lost Property.

During the rust at Hildinger's store Saturday evening some of the stock of silks turned up missing and a warrant was issued today for search of the Mexican bank where

the Santa Fe. The search was made but none of the silk was found. Several Mexicans had been trading at the counter from which the silks disappeared and this fact led to the search of the cars. Mr. Hildinger did not know how much silk was lost in the shuffle but he does not think that his loss is great.

Nothing Will Happen

in the way of success for most of us unless we try to make it happen.

The great majority of people are not lucky in the sense of having money come to them easily.

So you might as well make up your mind that nothing will occur

To Make You Rich

unless you work industriously to make money and then save a goodly portion of your income to build up a fund for wise investment.

No man can expect to go very far or very fast toward success without following this course which leads through a savings bank account.

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